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In re Applicant:

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For: Synchronizing and Converting
the Size of Data Frames

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Assignee: Intel Corporation

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DECLARATION OF TIMOTHY N. TROP

Sir:

The undersigned does hereby state as follows:

1. I am an attorney who worked on the prosecution of the above-referenced patent application.

2. I am familiar with the practices of the Assignee in connection with approving applications for filing.

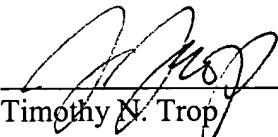
3. The above-referenced application was submitted at a date prior to the filing date of the O'Connor reference for consideration for the filing of a patent application. In the normal course, the Assignee regularly holds meetings in which potential patent applications are considered. Some inventions may be approved for filing and others may be disapproved. This application was approved in the normal course and was forwarded to our firm for application filing on or about January 11, 2002.

4. We filed an application by February 22, 2002, which, given our work load, was as fast as we could reasonably complete the application and, based on my understanding of normal application preparation times, was relatively quick.

5. I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and, further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.

Date:

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Timothy N. Trop